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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: )  
Applicant: CANTERI, C )  
Ser. No.: 09/308,962 ) Group Art Unit: 3673  
Filed: September 2, 1999 ) Examiner: PECHHOLD, A  
For: METHOD FOR INCREASING THE BEARING CAPACITY...)

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Sir,

In response to the Office action dated August 30, 2000, for which a petition is being concurrently submitted requesting an extension of the time for response for three months from November 30, 2000 to February 28, 2001, applicant submits the following Amendment for entry in the above-identified application.

In the Title

Please change "BUILDINGS" to --BUILT STRUCTURES--.

In the Specification

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, line 3: change "buildings" to --built structures, including buildings, roadway slabs, airport runways and equipment supporting slabs;  
Page 2, line 20: change "buildings" to --built structures, including buildings, roadway slabs, airport runways and equipment supporting slabs, --; and  
after line 22: insert --The term "foundation soil" is intended to designate that part of the soil having an influence on the overlying built structure or that the direct